SUMMER DAY CAMP TIPS FOR PARENTS 2023- SCHOOL AGE KINDS





Dear Parents/Guardians:

Thank you for choosing Kids Club for your summer camp needs. After much planning and preparation, we are looking forward to getting summer camp underway! For your convenience, we have put together this list of tips and suggestions designed to help your child's summer camp experience to be as fun and enjoyable as possible. Please pay special attention to information regarding field trip days, as this will help you and your child prepare.

Everyday:

We strongly encourage you to apply sunscreen each morning before arriving at camp. Your child may bring sunscreen to camp as long as their first and last names are on the bottle, and you have signed the sunscreen permission slip allowing Kids Club staff to assist in applying sun block if requested. Please encourage your child to dress appropriately for weather and temperatures. Something cool and loose should be fine for most days, but should provide adequate coverage. We recommend sneakers or tennis shoes as flip flops will not protect the feet or toes during active play.

Lunch & Snacks:

The AZ Summer Food Program will be offering breakfast and lunch everyday.

Breakfast will be served between 7:30am-8:00 Lunch will be served between 11:30am-12:30-depending on field trips Kids Club will offer a PM snack beginning at 2:30pm.

If you do not wish to participate in the free summer lunch program, your child must bring a healthy sack lunch from home daily, labeled with his/her name. Many children who attend our camps live with life threatening allergies to nuts and nut products. You can help us keep them safe by not sending items that contain, or may contain nuts or nut oil.

On-Site Days:

Activities for on-site days include summer-themed arts and crafts, indoor organized sports, open activity centers, indoor gym, small group games, movies, special treats, and more!

Field Trip Days:

We will be going on an average of 2-3 field trips or special attraction days per week. Please refer to the Activities Calendar for the scheduled destinations and departure times. Please arrive no later than calendar times to ensure that you have checked in and signed all the required documents/permission slips for that day's field trip. It is also important to arrive early in order to ensure that your child(ren) are placed in their correct groups and given a wristband. In order to participate in the field trips, you will need to enter your child's name and your signature onto the appropriate permission forms. All Children will be required to attend a Safety Assembly for each day's trip at the designated calendar time in order to participate. Extra spending money is optional for arcades, snack bars, movies, etc. Please see below for additional information regarding spending money. Socks will be required for some field trips, so watch for reminders to be posted at the site.

*Due to safety reasons, the Great Skate field trip will only be offered to older students (2nd grade and up). Please see the Field Trip Calendar for details.

Movie Days: Children will be transported to Harkins - at Arizona Mills on their movie days. A "Kids Snack Pack", which includes popcorn and a drink and gummy candies, can be purchased for \$6.75 (or \$7.75 for Icee Drink in place of regular drink).

There may be water-fun days periodically throughout the weeks of summer camp. The site will post the chosen days and your child will need a towel and a change of clothes or swimsuit to participate.

Admissions for all field trips are paid for by Kids Club. Children will not need money. If you wish to send money with your child. It will be their responsibility to hold on to it and to manage it. We suggest you dress them in clothes with pockets to keep their money safe. Kids Club will not be responsible for misplaced, lost or stolen money.

Drop Off and Pick Up

Drop off and pick up will be done through the Early Childhood building (E). All parents and guardians will be required to show identification. Due to summer school being on campus it is important to not park in the bus pullout zones. Please avoid parking on any curbs and use designated parking spaces only.

Location/ Hours of operation & Contact Information

We will be located at Desert Meadows Elementary 6855 W Meadows Loop East Laveen, AZ 85339. Summer Camp will be open 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Our Staff can be contacted at 480-572-5320 and our office at 602-237-7058. You can also reach out via email at KidsClub@Laveeneld.org.